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Majority prices were mostly unchanged when compared to previous week. Trade sentiment was mostly steady. Demand into all channels was slow to moderate, best into fast food. Offerings of all sizes were at least sufficient; floor stocks were balanced to long. In the parts structure, movement following the weekend was light to moderate. Wings were close to tight and moving well. Tenders were adequate to well cleared, but the remaining breast items were readily available. Dark meat was at least adequate with leg quarters in a closer balance. In production areas, live supplies were moderate; weights were mixed.

Final Report of prices negotiated for trucklot sales of ready-to-cook ice-packed broiler/fryers (includes branded product) to be delivered to first receivers at major market centers week of 15-AUG-2005.

(cents per lb)		US GRADE A		COMPOSITE	
AREAS	MAJORITY	WTD AVG	LOADS	WTD AVG	LOADS
Boston/New England	TFEWR		:	67.52	17
Chicago	65.00-68.00	67.83	40 :	68.54	74
Ohio Cities	TFEWR		:	63.96	25
Denver	80.50	80.33	15 :	80.75	16
Detroit	67.00-69.00	68.54	13 :	69.11	62
Los Angeles	81.00	80.48	60 :	75.00	135
New York	68.00-71.00	69.56	25 :	67.76	70
Philadelphia	67.50-69.00	68.20	10 :	67.90	24
Pittsburgh	67.00-70.00	68.45	11 :	71.90	58
St. Louis	66.75-67.00	66.68	18 :	65.57	33
San Francisco	81.50	81.04	34 :	82.15	62

Composite Weighted Average

Loads	08/15/05	Change/Last Wk	08/08/05	08/16/04
576	71.32	-.40	71.72	75.56

WOG BROILERS (without giblets) - prices paid per lb delv'd to first receivers in trucklot and less than trucklot quantities.

REGIONS	Majority	Wtd Avg	Loads
Eastern	72.00-73.00	72.70	32
Central	57.00-75.00	69.91	73
Western	60.50-74.00	71.89	35
Southeast Area FOB Dock Equivalent			
Mississippi	72.00-76.00	73.93	92

GEORGIA F.O.B. DOCK PRICES Georgia f.o.b. dock quoted price on broilers/fryers for this week's trading is 74.75 cents based on ice-packed USDA grade "A" sized 2 1/2 to 3 pound birds.

LOADS	RANGE	MONDAY FINAL WTD AVG FOB DOCK OR EQUIVALENT
1,131	65.00-76.42	73.38

The Georgia f.o.b. dock confirmed final weighted average prices on ice packed parts:

ITEM	WTD AVG (CENTS PER POUND)	VOLUME (000 POUND)
LINE RUN TENDERS	172.50	1,458
BREASTS - B/S	147.50	6,001
BREASTS - WHOLE	86.00	1,511
THIGH MEAT - B/S	107.50	1,099
LEG QUARTERS	46.00	7,803
WINGS	80.50	3,006

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NORTHEAST REGION BROILER/FRYER Trucklot buying interest on ready-to-cook whole broiler/fryers was fair to moderate at best entering the week. Offerings of all were fully sufficient for current trade needs. Movement through retail and distributive channels was mostly light and unaggressive. The market tone was generally steady. In the parts complex, dark meat cuts ranged adequate to available. Breast items were at least adequate; wings were balanced and clearing satisfactorily.

SOUTHERN REGION BROILER/FRYERS Trade sentiment was generally steady. Demand following the weekend was light to fair with mixed trading, but best for fast food promotions and active retail ads. Offerings and supplies of all sizes were usually sufficient for full trade needs. In the parts structure, movement was fair to moderate. Wings and tenders were balanced to short and moving well. Dark meat was in good balance, and breast items were sufficient to available. In production areas, live supplies were moderate at mostly desirable weights.

WESTERN REGION BROILER/FRYERS Final majority prices were unchanged throughout the region. The market tone was about steady with trading reported for this week's deliveries at mainly unchanged to slightly lower prices. Offerings were fully adequate overall for immediate needs. Retailer demand was moderate overall. Dealers reported satisfactory weekend clearances. The Los Angeles negotiated WOG weighted average was 64.72 down .35, with the volume reported at 27 loads unchanged from last week.

MIDWEST REGION BROILER/FRYER Final majority prices unchanged from last Monday's final; Ohio cities TFEWR. Whole broiler/fryer market tone was steady. Offerings adequate for the very limited buyer interest. Movement was slow to moderate into all channels. Floor stocks adequate to long with mixed sizes. Parts trade was sluggish for the adequate offerings. Wing and leg quarter supplies were in tightest position. The market tone was fully steady to firm on wings, steady on leg quarters and breasts, and cautiously steady to weak on thighs and drums.

DELMARVA BROILER/FRYERS Movement of ready-to-cook whole birds was fair for early week business. Offerings were reported as balanced and in a workable position, but still noted at least sufficient for current buying inquiry. Live supplies were moderate; weights were irregular but mostly desirable. Processor schedules were moderately heavy. Less than trucklot asking prices were unchanged at 69 to 80 cents. Trade sentiment was generally steady. In the parts complex, supplies continued in manageable to close balance on most items. Wings were firm, drums and breasts were at least adequate, and balance of items were usually sufficient.

*BROILER/FRYER CURRENT NEGOTIATED PRICES FOR IMMEDIATE DELIVERY INCLUDES MOSTLY MULTIPLE-DROP SHIPMENTS OF BRANDED AND WING TAGGED TO NEW YORK CITY FROM DELMARVA

BRANDED U.S. GRADE A

RANGE	60-85
WEIGHTED AVERAGE	(A)
NO. OF BOXES	(A)

(A) NOT REPORTED TO AVOID DISCLOSING INDIVIDUAL OPERATIONS

NORTHEAST BROILER/FRYER PARTS Trucklot buying activity was noted as mostly fair to moderate at best entering the week. Offerings of bone-in breasts was available and slow to clear. Boneless skinless breasts were fully sufficient for current needs. Tenders were well cleared. Drums were available and discounted in some instances. Other dark meat items were at least sufficient. Wings were clearing satisfactorily. Retail and distributive movement was seasonally light and unaggressive. The market tone was barely steady on bone-in breasts; steady to barely steady on dark meat cuts. The balance of items were generally steady.

ICE PACKED BROILER/FRYER PARTS, DELIVERED TO FIRST RECEIVERS IN POOL TRUCKLOT AND TRUCKLOT QUANTITIES, CENTS PER POUND

ITEM	CURRENT NEGOTIATED TRADING	WTD AVG	VOLUME /LBS
BREAST - B/S	135-140	131.05	542,740
TENDERLOINS	130	128.94	129,720
BREAST - WITH RIBS	79-80	88.51	68,200
BREAST - LINE RUN	79	78.22	81,000
LEGS	61-62	65.70	65,560
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	45-46	46.05	345,160
DRUMSTICKS	57-58	60.72	117,760
THIGHS	46-47	56.56	53,840
B/S THIGHS	107-108	101.79	109,720
WINGS (WHOLE)	76-77	76.94	227,960
BACKS AND NECKS (STRIPPED)	10-12	11.12	13,400
LIVERS (5 POUND TUBS)	40-45	43.50	5,840
GIZZARDS (HEARTS)	60-65	65.04	16,640

INCL: NY CITY METRO, N. NJ, MA, CT, RI, AND PA (NE OF HARRISBURG).

* TODAY'S NEGOTIATED SALES AS OF 11:30 A.M.

** WTD AVG PRICE OF ALL GRADES AND BRANDS OF PRODUCT SHIPPED, OR TO BE SHIPPED AS OF 1:30 P.M.

ARKANSAS BROILER/FRYER PARTS F.O.B. DOCK OR EQUIVALENT, ICED-PACKED, PRICES SHOWN ARE DAY OF SHIPMENT (INCLUDES CURRENT AND PRIOR NEGOTIATIONS), TRUCKLOT AND LESS THAN TRUCKLOT VOLUME, CENTS PER POUND.

ITEM	LBS (000)	RANGE	MAJORITY	WT. AVG
BREAST - B/S	1,700	110.00-148.00	125-132	125.45
TENDERLOINS	242	115.00-185.00	126	124.62
BREAST - WITH RIBS	TOO FEW TO REPORT			
FRONT HALVES	TOO FEW TO REPORT			
LEGS	TOO FEW TO REPORT			
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	1,183	42.00-45.00	42-43	42.57
LEG QUARTERS (4/10)	1,566	37.00-47.00	44-45	43.73
WINGS (WHOLE)	811	65.00-78.00	70-74	72.39
DRUMSTICKS	TOO FEW TO REPORT			
THIGHS	1,738	35.00-45.00	38-39	38.16

ESTIMATED SLAUGHTER OF BROILER-FRYERS (IN THOUSANDS)

	ESTIMATE (1,000)	ACTUAL (1,000)	AVG WTS	ACTUAL (1,000)	AVG WTS
	08/15	08/11	08/11	08/08	08/04
Alabama	4,128	4,027	5.11	3,998	5.09
Arkansas	5,471	5,425	5.18	5,288	5.13
Delmarva	2,254	2,314	5.51	2,233	5.53
KY-LA-TN	2,290	2,311	4.82	2,265	4.90
Mississippi	3,112	3,090	5.43	3,017	5.47
North Carolina	2,508	2,911	6.51	2,361	6.21
Texas	2,561	2,547	5.19	2,561	5.26
Total	22,324	22,625	5.37	21,723	5.32
Mon	22,324(A)			21,723(A)	

(A) Weekly cumulative for states listed above. Broiler-fryer slaughter under federal inspection for 15-Aug 2005 is estimated to be 34,337,000 up 2.46 percent from a week ago. and up 8.8 percent from a year ago. (last week 33,513,000 last year 31,566,000)

SOUTHERN STATES BROILER/FRYER PARTS F.O.B. DOCK OR EQUIVALENT, ICED-PACKED, PRICES SHOWN ARE DAY OF SHIPMENT (INCLUDES CURRENT AND PRIOR NEGOTIATIONS), TRUCKLOT AND LESS THAN TRUCKLOT VOLUME, CENTS PER POUND.

ITEM	POUNDS (000)	RANGE	MAJORITY	WTD AVG
BREAST - B/S	606	125.00-145.00	127-130	128.90
TENDERLOINS	228	122.00-195.00	125-131	130.37
BREAST - LINE RUN	112	82.00-90.00	85-87	85.09
FRONT HALVES	TOO FEW TO REPORT			
LEGS	TOO FEW TO REPORT			
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	599	42.00-47.00	44-45	44.31
LEG QUARTERS (4/10)	810	45.00-48.00	46-47	46.56
WINGS (WHOLE)	247	74.00-86.00	75-77	77.50
WINGS (CUT)	350	85.00-92.00	88-91	90.24
DRUMSTICKS	68	52.00-78.00	-	56.82
THIGHS	TOO FEW TO REPORT			
B/S THIGHS	TOO FEW TO REPORT			

WHOLE BODY INDEX BASED ON SOUTHERN STATES PARTS

TRADING FOR AUGUST 15, 2005 — F.O.B. DOCK.

RANGE	TODAY'S AVERAGE	5-DAY AVERAGE
48.50 - 53.50	50.91	52.64

The Index is intended solely as an indicator of values for commodity-type product and does not represent industry's willingness to sell or ability to buy.

MIDWEST REGION BROILER/FRYER PARTS ICE-PACKED POOL

TRUCKLOT AND TRUCKLOT QUANTITIES DELIVERED TO: IL, IN, IA, KS, MI, MN, MO, NE, ND, OH, SD, AND WI WEEK OF 15-19-AUG-2005.

	Price (Cents) Per Lb.	Mostly
BREAST - B/S	114.00 - 140.00	117.00 - 137.00
BREAST - LINE RUN	80.00 - 107.00	80.00 - 87.00
LEGS	58.00 - 63.00	-
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	43.00 - 53.00	44.00 - 46.00
LEG QUARTERS (4/10)	45.00 - 55.00	47.00 - 49.00
DRUMSTICKS	52.00 - 67.00	-
THIGHS	45.00 - 47.00	-
WINGS (WHOLE)	72.00 - 87.00	75.00 - 77.00
BACKS AND NECKS (STRIPPED)	12.00 - 23.00	-
LIVERS	30.00 - 38.00	-
GIZZARDS (HEARTS)	40.00 - 50.00	-

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA (L.A. AREA) PROCESSED POULTRY, DELIVERED TO RESTAURANTS AND INSTITUTIONS

	RANGE
WOGS 2# & UP - WHOLE	95.25-104.25
WOGS 2# & UP - CUT UP 8&9 PIECES	93.75-106.75
FROZEN HENS 5# & UP	
FROZEN DUCKS	
FROZEN SQUABS	

DELIVERED TO RETAILERS IN SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA (L.A. AREA)

FRESH FRYERS	97-99
ROASTERS 4# & UP	99-107
HENS UNDER 5#	
HENS OVER 5#	65-73
DUCKS	
RABBITS-WHOLE	
RABBITS-CUT UP	

SAN FRANCISCO PROCESSED POULTRY

DELIVERED TO RESTAURANTS AND INSTITUTIONS

	RANGE
FRESH FRYERS	ICE PACK 105-107
	DRY PACK 108
ROASTERS 4# & UP	ICE PACK 108-112
	DRY PACK 111-112
HENS OVER 5#	ICE PACK 93-95
	DRY PACK 95-105
DUCKS	180-192

EASTERN REGION MECHANICALLY SEPARATED CHICKEN

F.O.B. SHIPPER DOCK OR EQUIVALENT, PRICES NEGOTIATED FOR MECHANICALLY SEPARATED CHICKEN IN THE EASTERN REGION IN TRUCKLOT AND LESS THAN TRUCKLOT VOLUMES, CENTS PER POUND, DELIVERY WITHIN TWO WEEKS.

AUGUST 12, 2005

CHICKEN WITH SKIN ADDED — **PRICES** — **VOLUME** —
(Cents per Pound)

FAT CONTENT	FROZEN	FRESH	TOTAL	EXPORT
15% OR LESS				
RANGE	21.50-24.75	21.00-23.00	724,000	364,000
WTD AVERAGE	22.43	22.33		
15-20%				
RANGE	20.50-27.50	15.00-23.00	1,516,000	676,000
WTD AVERAGE	22.92	18.81		
20% OR MORE				
RANGE	-	14.00-19.00	100,000	-
WTD AVERAGE		15.00		

* INCLUDES THE STATES of CT, DE, FL, GA, MA, MD, ME, NC, NH, NJ, NY, PA, RI, SC, VA, VT, WV

CENTRAL REGION MECHANICALLY SEPARATED CHICKEN

F.O.B. SHIPPER DOCK OR EQUIVALENT, PRICES NEGOTIATED FOR MECHANICALLY SEPARATED CHICKEN IN THE CENTRAL REGION IN TRUCKLOT AND LESS THAN TRUCKLOT VOLUMES, CENTS PER POUND, DELIVERY WITHIN TWO WEEKS.

AUGUST 12, 2005

CHICKEN WITH SKIN ADDED — **PRICES** — **VOLUME** —
(Cents per Pound)

FAT CONTENT	FROZEN	FRESH	TOTAL	EXPORT
15% OR LESS				
RANGE	16.00-26.00	18.00-26.00	223,200	-
WTD AVERAGE	22.67	24.00		
15-20%				
RANGE	18.00-22.00	15.00-24.00	1,912,000	530,400
WTD AVERAGE	18.79	18.04		
20% OR MORE				
RANGE	-	-	-	-
WTD AVERAGE				

* INCLUDES THE STATES of AL, AR, IA, IL, IN, KS, KY, LA, MI, MN, MO, MS, ND, NE, OK, OH, SD, TN, TX, WI

SOUTHEAST HEAVY LIVE HEN Majority prices were unchanged when compared to a week earlier. Demand was fair to mostly moderate for the adequate to at least adequate offerings. Processing schedules were noted as mostly normal. Sales of finished product were adequate for current needs. The undertone was steady to at least steady.

HEAVY TYPE HENS (7 POUNDS AND UP) *

FINAL PRICE, CENTS PER LB., GENERALLY FOR SLAUGHTER THE WEEK OF 15-AUG-05

	RANGE	MAJORITY	WTD AVG
AT FARM BUYER LOADING	9.75-16	12-14	13.20
AT FARM PRODUCER LOADING	TOO FEW TO REPORT		
FOB PLANT	TOO FEW TO REPORT		

*WEIGHTS UNDER 7 LBS. SUBJECT TO DISCOUNT.

SOUTH CENTRAL HEAVY LIVE HEN Trading levels were generally unchanged from the past week. Demand was moderate for adequate offerings from producers. Schedules were normal. Finished sales were fair. Trade sentiment was about steady.

HEAVY TYPE HENS (7 POUNDS AND UP) *

PRELIMINARY PRICE, CENTS PER LB., GENERALLY FOR SLAUGHTER THE WEEK OF 15-AUG-05

	RANGE	MAJORITY	WTD AVG
AT FARM BUYER LOADING	9.5-16	11.75-13.75	13.08

*WEIGHTS UNDER 7 LBS. SUBJECT TO DISCOUNT.

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